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from

30 October 1953

TO : AD/RR

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FROM : Chief, RR Team,

SUBJECT: Report on Trip to 25X1A9a 20-23 October

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1. The primary purpose of my visit to was to report to on certain matters relating to Details on this aspect of my visit have been reported to you in 25X1X7 25X1A6a 27 October entitled "Report on Trip to 25X1X7 14-19 October." However, while I was in I took the opportunity 25X1A6a to review the work of the Strategic Division and the way in which the 25X1A6a ORR Team has fitted into the work of this Division.

2. On the basis of discussions with members of the Strategic Division and a reading of their reports and briefing materials, I was impressed with the competence of the group and with the fact that they are doing an excellent job in the current intelligence field. They are a real credit to the DD/I Wing of the company and have gained a good reputation for us with the DD/P boys at the station. 25X1A9a 25X1A6a Deputy, for example, told me that 25X1A6a was extremely well pleased with the briefings which the Strategic Division has been providing for him. I can well understand this after a reading of the briefing notes since they are timely, well written, and to the point despite the complexity of the numerous developments covered.

3. The ORR Team is fitting into this work well. Fully half or more of the material I reviewed was of an economic nature. As it happened for the week I was there almost two-thirds of the items for the 25X1A6a briefing were of an economic nature although told me that 25X1A9a this was unusual and that generally they run a fairly even balance between economic and political items. It goes without saying that the importance of current economic developments has increased appreciably for the Soviet Bloc since the death of Stalin.

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current production. It takes a great deal of initiative to meet a full time schedule keeping up with the flow of papers, making the required written contributions to an increasingly heavy production schedule and still find time for the field liaison work. As a consequence the latter tends to be slighted, although both [redacted] are dividing their time as well as they can. [redacted] I understood has not be able to get away from his desk at all. In this regard, I might add that [redacted] is a driver on the production side so that the opportunity for field work by the ORR team has lessened since [redacted] left. The ideal for ORR on the field liaison side was met when [redacted] was in [redacted] and had a fairly free license.

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5. There are several alternatives which might be considered to meet the ORR requirement for better field liaison while still maintaining full support to the important work which Strategic is doing. These include:

a) increase the size of the team by one to compensate for the increased production load

b) in conjunction with (a) above designate one member of the present team as having primary responsibility for field liaison with an understanding that this man's production responsibilities should be kept to a minimum

c) place one [redacted] 25X1A6a 25X1C

d) place one ORR man directly with [redacted] 25X1X8

25X1C [redacted]

6. In connection with point (c), I had a long talk with [redacted] 25X1A9a

25X1A9a [redacted] He was spending his summer leave from his course touring intelligence field installations in [redacted] has enjoyed the course although he believes that a good third of it on Soviet military factors was not of direct interest either to himself or to ORR. [redacted] also said that ideally after the completion of the course he would like to work for [redacted] on economic intelligence. It seems he has been tentatively approached by [redacted] on this prospect. If this is his interest, I would recommend a six month tour in ORR to bring him up-to-date prior to his employment [redacted].

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7. [redacted] indicated that they had found the [redacted] questionnaires on the East European Satellites extremely useful in formulating economic requirements for defectors from these countries. These questionnaires had been sent over by [redacted] and I am now sending Strategic Division the more recent revisions. [redacted] and I also agreed to establish a channel for transmitting other [redacted] material which will be useful to them, and for exchanging comments between [redacted] and Strategic on major items of current intelligence interest. Also, I have suggested that both [redacted] would profit from a one week visit with [redacted]

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have since mentioned this to [redacted] and he agreed.

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8. All of the members of the ORR Team [redacted] appear to
25X1 [redacted] Bernard was pleased to have Lou finally join
25X1C him. He is doing research on [redacted] wines, noting the different types
on 3x5 cards and describing the taste reaction. [redacted] competently 25X1A9a
answered several questions which I raised for [redacted] on transportation 25X1X7
25X1A9a matters. [redacted] has done a good job in carrying on where [redacted] 25X1A9a
25X1A9a [redacted] left off, having had the advantage of being introduced to [redacted] 25X1A9a
contacts in the field installations. He is looking forward to returning
and his next assignment in ORR. I think he could handle some increase
in responsibility. I was sorry I missed [redacted] 25X1A9a

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